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- 1. I AM EXTREMELY PLEASED THAT YOU WILL BE ABLE TO TAKE TIME FROM YOUR BUSY SCHEDULE TO COME TO THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC IN OCTOBER. WE HAVE RELAYED THE NEWS TO HERR VON HARNIER OF THE CDU WHO WAS DELIGHTED. THE NEWS HAS ALREADY HIT THE PRESS. WE ASSUME FROM REFTELCON THAT YOUR APPEARANCE AT THE SPD FRIEDRICH EBERT CONFERENCE ON OCTOBER 3-4 IS DEFINITELY RULED OUT.
- 2. DETAILS OF THE CDU CONFERENCE WILL BE SENT TO YOU SHORTLY, BUT IN BROAD OUTLINE THE WIRTSCHAFTSTAG (ECONOMICS DAY) CONFERENCE IS THE BIENNIAL MEETING OF THE WIRTSCHAFTSRAT (ECONOMIC COUNCIL) OF THE CHRISTIAN DEMOCRATIC UNION PARTY (CDU). THE COUNCIL HAS A MEMBERSHIP OF SEVERAL THOUSAND PEOPLE, CHIEFLY MAJOR BUSINESS, GOVERNMENT, AND LABOR LEADERS AFFILIATED WITH UNCLASSIFIED

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THE CDU. THE SCHEDULE FOR OCTOBER 6 WILL INCLUDE A FULL DAY OF LECTURES AND SYMPOSIA CONDUCTED BY LEADING POLITICAL AND ACADEMIC FIGURES IN THE PARTY. THE DAY WILL FINISH WITH AN EVENING BUFFET, FOLLOWED BY YOUR ADDRESS TO A GROUP OF SEVERAL HUNDRED PERSONS. THE TOPICS AND INTERESTS OF THE PARTICIPANTS ARE WIDE RANGING, AND I AM SURE THAT REMARKS BY YOU ON THE SUB-

JECT OF ENERGY IN RELATION TO THE WORLD SCENE AS WELL AS REFERENCES TO THE OUTLOOK AND PLANS FOR ENERGY IN THE U.S. WOULD BE AN EXCELLENT CHOICE FOR REMARKS TO THIS GROUP. AS YOU WELL KNOW THE MATTER OF ENERGY IS A SUBJECT OF EXTREME INTEREST HERE. WHEN YOU HAVE A TITLE FOR YOUR REMARKS, PLEASE LET US KNOW.

- 3. I DO NOT KNOW WHAT YOUR TRANSPORTATION PLANS MAY BE, BUT HERR VON HARNIER HAS ASKED US TO TELL YOU THAT THE ORGANIZERS WOULD BE ONLY TOO GLAD TO PICK YOU UP ON OCTOBER 6 AND FLY YOU BY PRIVATE PLANE FROM PARIS TO FRANKFURT DEPARTING ABOUT 6:00 P.M. IT IS ABOUT A ONE HOUR FLIGHT TO FRANKFURT, AND A HALF HOUR FROM THE AIRPORT TO THE FRANKFURTER MESSEGELAENDE, WHERE THE CONFERENCE IS TAKING PLACE. IF YOU HAVE TIME TO ANSWER QUESTIONS FOLLOWING YOUR REMARKS, IT WOULD CERTAINLY BE APPROPRIATE. IN ANY EVENT, WHATEVER YOUR TIME PREFERENCE, THE ORGANIZERS WILL BE HAPPY TO PROVIDE TRANSPORTATION FOR YOU, OR WE SHALL CERTAINLY DO SO, FROM FRANKFURT TO BONN, THE MOST PRACTICAL METHOD BEING AN HOUR AND A HALF CAR TRIP.
- 4. FOR YOUR SCHEDULE ON OCTOBER 7, WE HAVE ALERTED THE MINISTERS OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, RESEARCH AND TECHNOLOGY, AND ECONOMICS TO YOUR COMING AND ARE WORKING ON APPOINTMENTS WITH THE MINISTERS FOR THAT DAY. WE WILL ALSO UNCLASSIFIED

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BE IN TOUCH WITH CHANCELLOR SCHMIDT'S OFFICE.

5. MARY ANN AND I LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU IN OCTOBER. IF YOU PLAN TO OVERNIGHT IN BONN OCTOBER 6 OR 7 WE HOPE YOU WILL STAY WITH US AT THE RESIDENCE. STOESSEL

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